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Unrest in Lebanon at desecration of Koran

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UN. — Security reinforcements were brought in here yesterday to cope with an outbreak of unrest over the alleged desecration of several copies of the Koran, the Muslim holy book, in the city of Beirut.

Officials attributed the act to a group of Lebanese Christians, who claimed that Jewish articles had been damaged in the tomb, which is holy to both Muslims and Christians. The Kiyat al-Islam, a militant Islamic group, claimed that Jewish articles had been damaged in the tomb, which is holy to both Muslims and Christians.

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Soviet initiative in Lebanon PLO-leftists cling to last positions

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Lebanon with their gradual replacement by Egyptian and French troops. But Soviet sources denied Salkan had presented Sarkis with any specific proposal.

However, they disclosed that the Soviet Embassy already has made preliminary "contacts with the rightists, the Syrians and the Palestinians to find a way of ending the fighting."

Meanwhile, Syrian Foreign Minister Abdel-Halim Khaddam returned to Damascus last night after delivering a message on Lebanon and the Middle East to King Khalid of Saudi Arabia.

The message, from President Hafez Assad, also covered the Egyptian proposal for a limited Arab summit, official sources said in Damascus.

Yesterday, Egyptian Foreign Minister Ismail Fahmy returned to Cairo from France after discussing with President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing Egypt's efforts to arrange peace talks among the rival parties in the Lebanese war.

Diplomatic sources believe a French-Egyptian initiative is afoot to make Paris the contact point for talks between rival Lebanese leaders.

Fahmy was scheduled to meet later last night with Kamal Jumblatt, overall leader of the Moslem-Palestinian alliance in Lebanon.

Jumblatt who is in Cairo for talks with officials was reported by his aides to be planning to visit Paris tomorrow.

In the fighting in Lebanon yesterday, Beirut trembled under one of its heaviest artillery bombardments in a fortnight as rival radio stations reported conflicting versions of a battle for the Palestinian leftist stronghold of Alep.

(UPI, Reuters, AP)

Yadlin on TV: No basis for charges

Jerusalem Post Reporter
Asher Yadlin, the Governor-designate of the Bank of Israel, said on Friday night that he was convinced there was no basis on anything he had done from the legal point of view. He was being interviewed on Israel Television about the police enquiries into allegations against him of malfeasance, during his term as head of Kupat Holim, the Histrut sick fund.

The allegations, of which the police notified the Police Minister and the Attorney-General on September 8, after the Cabinet nominated Yadlin as Bank Governor, concerned rumors that he got kickbacks from a hotel lease and from property sales, among others.

"I am convinced there is no basis whatsoever to any of the charges against me. These charges must be examined thoroughly and as fast as possible," Yadlin said.

He had not brought up the idea of a taking a polygraph (lie-detector) test, he said, in reply to a question. "If you don't agree to take a lie detector test," Yadlin said.

Yadlin said that if he believed there were any other reasons, of a moral or public character, which might possibly prevent him from taking the post of Bank Governor, he would never have agreed to accept the post.

He said the first thing he knew about an investigation being conducted into his affairs was on Friday, September 17, at 3 p.m. Just after he had lunched with Trans-

port Minister Gad Ya'acobi, "and enjoyed a very pleasant conversation about his job as Governor," he got a phone call from Attorney-General Aharon Barak, who made an appointment with him and informed him of the investigation.

Yadlin said Prof. Barak told him there were rumors about two subjects: The Desert Caravan Hotel in Sharm el-Sheikh, owned by the Barneis investors group; and deals in real estate, with which Yadlin was said to be connected.

Although Prof. Barak did not go into detail, he asked Yadlin whether he would talk to the police about the two subjects, and Yadlin said he agreed straightaway. He had a meeting with the police officer in charge of the investigation, Nitzan Ya'acov Kedmi, not in the police station, but in a Government office. "None of our meetings were in the police station," Kedmi asked whether Yadlin had got any kickbacks or side benefits from the Desert Caravan Hotel. He had leased and operated the Caravan Hotel for the past couple of years, and Yadlin denied this. He said: "I'm in personal charge of the Sharm hotel project, because I regard it as a pioneering venture of a Zionist character per

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By BRIAN ARTHUR
Jerusalem Post Correspondent
BONN. — Nearly 40 million West Germans go to the polls today to decide whether to keep Chancellor Helmut Schmidt and his left-liberal government in power for another four years or turn them out in favor of the opposition Christian Democrats under Helmut Kohl.

Observers expect a close race, although the most recent published opinion poll gives the edge to Schmidt's coalition of Social and Free Democrats with 51.1 per cent, against 47.5 per cent for the opposition.

The election campaign has been largely a battle of personalities between Schmidt, 57, the tough-talking, right-wing Socialist from North Germany, and Kohl, 48, affable governor of the Rhenish Palatinate, who wants a return to the more conser-

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Syrian tank gun points towards Palestinian positions in Mfateh region of central Lebanon as Syrian and Christian forces continued their drive. (UPI telephoto)

Nyerere meets U.S., UK envoys on Rhodesia

DAR ES SALAAM, Tanzania. — Two U.S. and British envoys held two hours of talks yesterday with President Julius Nyerere on the future of Rhodesia and the Anglo-American plan for transition of power to the black majority.

U.S. Assistant Secretary of State for African Affairs William Schaufele and his British counterpart Ted Rowlands declined to comment to reporters following the meeting. A British High Commission spokesman said: "The talks were extremely useful and the idea of a constitutional conference (on Rhodesia) still appears to be on course."

Rowlands and Schaufele arrived earlier in the day from Maputo, Mozambique, where they had held talks with President Samora Machel.

In Salisbury, interest focused on the announcement that the two envoys would arrive there within two days, after their Tanzania talks. Schaufele's visit will mark the first time a senior American official will have been in Rhodesia since Washington closed down its consular offices there seven years ago.

He and Rowlands have been meeting with black heads of state in an effort to organize a planned conference to set up a pre-majority rule interim government in Rhodesia. They have visited Botswana, went to Maputo on Friday for talks with Machel and travelled to Dar es Salaam yesterday.

Meanwhile, in Gaborone, Botswana, a rival nationalist leaders met secretly yesterday in a major move to achieve black unity before wider talks on ending white minority rule in Rhodesia. The meeting between Joshua Nkomo and Bishop Abel Muzorewa lasted only half-an-hour, but both men indicated that they would confer again shortly in Salisbury.

Nkomo, often tipped as Rhodesia's first black prime minister, said the meeting with his rival went "very well." Bishop Muzorewa said: "We talked and we are still talking but there is nothing shaking mountains yet."

Rhodesian troops yesterday claimed to have killed 25 guerrillas in a clash understood to have occurred on the border with Mozambique. The guerrilla death toll announced by the Rhodesian security forces in its report on the latest clash was believed to be the highest for any single engagement on Rhodesian soil. (UPI, Reuters)

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Argentine President Videla escapes bomb blast attempt on life

BUENOS AIRES. — Argentine President Gen. Jorge Videla yesterday escaped an apparent assassination attempt when a bomb destroyed a reviewing stand he had just left following a military ceremony, informed sources said.

The stand was in the military garrison of Campo de Mayo, 32 km. northeast of Buenos Aires. Videla was in the stand with other high officers for a ceremony honouring the signal corps. The sources said the explosives were contained in one of the pipes used to build the frame of the stand.

The explosion destroyed the reviewing stand where Videla had stood during the ceremony in the large garrison. The sources said an army officer and a soldier were injured in the blast. Videla had addressed the ceremonies shortly before.

He was accompanied by government and army officials.

It was the first known attempt on Videla's life since he became President following the military coup that ousted President Isabel Peron on March 24. Nine days before the coup, Videla escaped a bomb outside army headquarters in Buenos Aires which killed one person and wounded 29 others.

It was not known who planted the bomb and no terrorist organization immediately claimed responsibility.

In other violence, a left-wing terrorist suspect and a police sergeant were killed yesterday in a clash in La Plata, 56 km. to the south, in the latest outbreak of political violence, raising the death toll to 1,018. (UPI, AP)

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Close West German election today

498-member Bundestag. Seventeen parties, most of them splinter groups, are on the ballot. At present, only the three major parties are in parliament: the Social Democrats with 230 seats, the Free Democrats with 41 and the Christian Democrats with 225.

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Israel studies new Soviet peace proposal

By DAVID LANDAU
Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent and news agencies

Israel is "carefully studying" a new Soviet peace proposal for the Middle East, although at first sight the proposal seemed to contain little new of substance. The proposal was published by the official Tass News Agency on Friday night, and was simultaneously conveyed to the U.S., Israel, Egypt, Syria, Jordan and the PLO. The Israeli mission at the UN forwarded it to Jerusalem.

Essentially, the proposal offers a four-point plan for a Middle East settlement:

- Israel withdrawal from lands occupied in 1967;
- the creation of a Palestinian state;
- international guarantees for the independent existence of Israel and its Arab neighbours;
- the ending of the state of war between Israel and the Arabs.

To achieve this, Moscow advocates the reconvening of the Geneva peace conference in two stages — the first stage to work out an agenda for the second stage, at which the substantive issues would be tackled. The PLO would "take part in the work of the conference on an equal footing from the very outset," the Soviet proposal insists.

Israel officials, including Foreign Minister Allon who is in New York, preferred not to react hastily to the Soviet proposal. While it plainly clashes with some basic tenets of Israeli policy, officials seemed reluctant to simply dismiss it out of hand. There was also a good deal of speculation as to why the Soviets had issued their proposal at this particular time.

Israel's long-standing position — it was most recently enunciated by the Prime Minister last week — involves immediate readiness to attend a resumed Geneva conference together with the other original participants, i.e. without the PLO. Israel also refuses to contemplate total withdrawal to the 1967 lines.

Allon may take the opportunity to reply to the Soviet initiative when he addresses the General Assembly next Friday. There will be no Cabinet meeting today (Yom Kippur eve) but the Russian pro-

posal will be discussed in Jerusalem during the week at informal meetings of top ministers and aides.

Some observers attributed the timing of the Soviet statement to the buffering the PLO is taking in Lebanon. According to this theory, Moscow seeks to offer the PLO a compensatory boost in the diplomatic arena.

(The Kremlin has been carefully hedging over the Lebanese crisis and the PLO's ill-fortunes these past few weeks. Thus, for example, Foreign Minister Gromyko made no mention at all of the PLO by name in his speech to the General Assembly last week. Similarly, he refrained from repeating the tough criticism of Syria which the Soviets had voiced at earlier stages in the Lebanese war. The Polish Foreign Minister followed Moscow's line and omitted to refer to the PLO, though the East German voiced his solid support for it.)

Another factor in the Soviets' timing may have been Secretary of State Kissinger's two speeches last week urging an overall Middle East peace effort and calling for a renewed Geneva conference. The Kremlin apparently seeks to remind all concerned that it will insist on a central role for itself in future peace-making in the region.

In an initial assessment of the Soviet proposal, analysts here said it basically rehearsed previous Soviet stands, both on the format of the Geneva conference and on the substance of a Mideast settlement. The only new note is the reference to an "end of the state of war" — a proposal which Israel has put forward.

The last major Soviet policy paper on the Middle East, published by Tass last April 23, also held out the prospect for Israel of "peace and security within recognised borders" once its had withdrawn to the 1967 lines and agreed to the establishment of a Palestinian state. "Israel's young men will no longer be sacrificed on the altar of war," that policy paper continued. "We have no prejudice against any state in the area, including Israel — if Israel abandons its aggressive policy and embarks on a course of peace and good-neighbourliness with the Arabs."

The April 23 paper was initially hailed in Jerusalem as a significant change in the tone, if not in the substance, of Soviet Mideast policy. But subsequent assessments were less sanguine, and there have been no diplomatic developments since April to bear out the optimistic analysis.

The new Soviet statement summarily dismisses the American-orchestrated interim agreements of 1974-5: "One should not hope that it will be sufficient to liquidate one or another seat of military conflict for peace to be restored to the Middle East," it says.

The statement says the Lebanese crisis could not have occurred if an all-encompassing political settlement had been achieved in the Middle East.

It adds: "It would be easier to find a solution for the problems that are tearing apart this small Middle East country (Lebanon) in conditions of such a settlement or in a situation when serious efforts are undertaken to achieve it."

The navy's action came in the light of increased vigilance over the weekend following the arrival on the Tel Aviv beach over the Rosh Hashana of five Arabs from Egypt in a stolen motorboat.

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'PFLP chief tried to rape me' DUTCHWOMAN TERROR SUSPECT SAYS

Jerusalem Post Staff
Ludovina Janssen, the Dutch terror suspect who was arrested at Ben-Gurion Airport when she alighted from an Air France plane on Rosh Hashanah eve, says that Palestinian terror chief Wadia Haddad tried to rape her while she was attending his training camp in Aden, police reported on Friday.

The police also indicated that Janssen had suspected she was pregnant by Marius Neuberger, her companion who continued on the Air France flight and was arrested in Bombay. But a pregnancy test which she requested proved negative, the police said.

According to Dutch sources, the 22-year-old woman met Neuberger while she was working at a mental institution where he was a patient. The two allegedly had come to Israel to study opportunities for hijacking an Air France plane on another flight.

The hijack plan reportedly involved taking over the plane after it had received permission to land at Ben-Gurion Airport.

The two were allegedly trained for their mission at a camp of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine. It was there that Haddad, the chief of PFLP overseas operations, is said to have made the rape attempt.

Also at the camp were 13 others of the mostly Dutch hijack group — and dozens more young Europeans, the investigation revealed. It was reported that the PFLP has contacted virtually every extremist left-wing group in Western Europe.

Meanwhile, there were conflicting reports about the girl's relations with her family. One source said it had been at odds with her for years. But another source said that her father, the owner of a press in the small Dutch town of Bergen op Zoom, had influenced her politically and printed revolutionary pamphlets at his press.

Officer convicted in W. Bank death

Jerusalem Post Staff
TEL AVIV. — A military court over the weekend convicted an officer in the Samaria military government of responsibility for the death of a Communist activist during rioting several months ago.

The court found the officer, whose name was not given, responsible for the death of Ahmed Dib Dahoul, secretary of the Communist party cell in the village of Safit near Tulkarm. Dahoul had been arrested during the rioting (which was against the idea of Jewish prayers on Jerusalem's Temple Mount), and was beaten in the car taking him to interrogation. He died afterwards of his injuries, the court found.

Before the trial, military sources said that an army investigation had shown that the victim had been beaten by soldiers who claimed they had been ordered to be rough on Dahoul and six other men detained. The officer denied the charge, but was ordered to face trial on charges of violating standing orders on the treatment of prisoners.

Sentencing will be next week.

Raphael asserts Warhaftig left nothing to destroy

Religious Affairs Minister Dr. Yitzhak Raphael Friday lashed back at his predecessor in the Ministry, saying that Dr. Zerah Warhaftig "had left nothing to destroy" when he left office.

Raphael was responding to Warhaftig's criticism of him for failing to appoint sufficient *dayanim*, and other charges, made at a National Religious Party faction caucus in Tel Aviv on Thursday.

He had not yet revealed what he had found at the Ministry, Raphael said, and would prefer not to do so until after Yom Kippur. Raphael said that 11 *dayanim* had been appointed since he took over the Ministry, and had done everything possible to add additional judges to the religious courts.

Raphael was not at the meeting to hear Warhaftig's charges. If published reports are correct, and "Dr. Warhaftig accused me of destruction," Raphael said, "I can only reply that after he left the Ministry there was nothing left to destroy, only to rebuild from scratch."

Probe into J'lem shooting spree

Investigation continued yesterday into a Thursday night shooting incident in Jerusalem's Ba'ka quarter, with a young gunman in police custody.

According to police reports, the young man, apparently under the influence of drugs, went into a kiosk Derech Beit Lehem at 9:45 p.m. Thursday and tried to buy matches. He began to argue with another young man, and the proprietor told the two of them to leave.

Once outside, the man fired a burst from the Uzi he was carrying, and began to walk down Rehov Yehuda firing in all directions. No one was hit by his shots.

The gunman then hid in a garden of a nearby house, where he was surrounded by hastily-summoned police units. He finally surrendered to three policemen who levelled pistols at him.

The incident was reported briefly on page one of Friday's Post.

THE WEATHER

Weather synopses: Upper trough causing slight instability in our area. Forecast: Fair. Outlook for Monday: No significant change.

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Jerusalem	50	16-27	27
Golan	25	12-20	28
Nahariya	37	17-29	29
Safed	46	20-27	27
Tiberias	45	20-24	30
Nazareth	51	19-28	30
Afula	42	19-30	30
Shomron	62	18-27	28
Tel Aviv	76	22-31	31
B-G Airport	76	20-31	31
Jericho	40	18-24	34
Qana	48	18-28	35
Beersheba	47	18-30	34
Eilat	29	22-35	34
Tiras	28	23-34	34

High Court order halts ouster in nick of time

BEN-GURION AIRPORT. — At least one passenger here on Friday was not annoyed because his flight out of Israel was delayed by technical difficulties. The Alitalia aircraft, which was to take Tony Dorembus to Rome, was held up for about one hour, just enough time for a court order staying his deportation to arrive at the airport.

Dorembus, 36, an Australian Jew, had been refused admission on Wednesday on the grounds that he did not have enough money to support himself in Israel. He had arrived here from Melbourne, via Rome, with a one-way ticket and about \$100.

Police held Dorembus for two days while they arranged a free return ticket to Rome on Alitalia for him. He was being escorted to the runway for that flight, having passed through passport control and security checks, when his attorney, Aharon Barkai of Tel Aviv, arrived with an order from High Court Justice Meir Shamgar, allowing Dorembus to stay in Israel in police custody until it is determined if there is sufficient grounds to expel him.

On his arrival, Dorembus told police that he had recently been separated from his wife in Australia, and that he had come to Israel to see whether he could start a new life and a new family. He was taken to a detention area at the airport, and told that he would be sent out of the country.

According to police, Dorembus stated, "I am not a criminal. I am healthy. Why would you give me a chance to live in Israel? I didn't know that only money determined my right to enter the country. I left everything in Australia. Why are you discouraging me?"

The Australian said that he wanted to spend a trial period in a kibbutz, where he understood he would need no money.

Tony Dorembus (Israel Sun)

Meanwhile, the Ministry of the Interior on Friday granted Brian Dominick Foy a 15-day visa to allow him to appeal to the Interior Minister to cancel the exclusion order against him. The Ministry's order was delivered to High Court Justice Moshe Landau on Friday. Justice Landau ruled, with the consent of the State Attorney's representative and Foy's lawyer, that the Interior Minister's decision in the case was final and not subject to appeal to the High Court.

After the issuance of the Ministry's order, Foy, a 29-year-old engineer, was released. He left the airport lockup in the company of his sweetheart, 27-year-old Frank Corps first sergeant Esther Fleisher.

On Wednesday morning, Foy's deportation had been stopped by a court order minutes before he was to board his plane back to London. The Interior Ministry had refused to let him into the country because of a Netanyahu conviction last year for the theft of IL700, a crime that Foy denies having committed.

Sanctions by Civil Service workers not felt — yet

By AARON SITTMER
Jerusalem Post Staff
Work in government offices was only partially disrupted on Friday, the first day of work sanctions by thousands of civil service workers.

The workers, who filed a notice of labour dispute two weeks ago, are demanding the same wage benefits recently granted to the Treasury's tax department workers — incentive pay, improved fringe benefits, swift job grade advancement, and the right for some of them to work on a contract basis rather than remain on the civil service payroll.

The sanctions so far consisted of refusal to pass on telephone messages, process incoming and outgoing mail and receive the public promptly. However, all these moves were not felt too severely on Friday since it is an abbreviated work day. Today — Yom Kippur Eve — is an even shorter workday and it is doubtful that the sanctions will be felt at all.

On Friday morning, Civil Service Commissioner Yaacov Nitman called in deputy directors-general of all Government Ministries to get a report on conditions in their offices. He was told that no sanctions were

observed in the Ministries of Defence, Communications, Agriculture and Transport.

Normal work was also reported at the Public Works Department offices in Tel Aviv and Haifa, in units of the Foreign Ministry dealing with security and external political matters, and in foreign tourist service offices of the Ministry of Tourism.

Shmuel Kleiner, the man behind the sanctions, told *The Jerusalem Post* last night: "Our struggle is for fair treatment, and we must continue until the authorities agree to discuss our demands. Meanwhile, terrific pressure — of a very ugly type — is being exerted on some of our fellow workers."

"In a certain city in the north, an employee trying out for a new job was told he would be dropped from the running immediately unless he declares he is against the sanctions," Kleiner said. "Right here in Jerusalem, a member of the works committee of a certain Ministry was promised 'private' concessions if he would pressure other workers to quit their sanctions."

Social workers threaten strike

By MARSHA POMERANTZ
Jerusalem Post Staff
Israel's social workers will go on strike if their year-old demands for improved working conditions and higher pay are not met, the chairman of the Social Workers Union, Yitzhak Kadman told Welfare Minister Zevulun Hammer late last week.

The union claims no action has been taken on a memo submitted

to the Ministry a year ago, which included details on the high-drop-out rate in the profession because of poor conditions.

Dr. Eliezer Jaffe, a member of the union's executive, explained to *The Jerusalem Post* that social workers' beginning pay is IL2,155 gross — very low for university graduates. Family workers have to cope with a case load of 300 families — whom they rarely get to see. The physical conditions of welfare offices are inadequate in many areas.

Punches and catcalls by creditors of Herut

TEL AVIV. — Herut Knesset Member Sytan Livni agreed on Friday to provide creditors within three weeks with a list of the assets of the Herut Movement and its Tel-Hai Fund. He also committed the two bodies to pay creditors IL75,000 over the next month.

The agreement ended a stormy court session here that began with Livni and one of the creditors trading punches in the courthouse corridor over the creditor's demand for immediate repayment.

The hearing was held on the application from the party and the fund to lift the bailiffs' liens on their property by creditors to whom they owe a total of IL5m. and to consolidate these cases.

Livni — interrupted by catcalls from some of the 60 creditors and 30 lawyers who packed the Magistrate's Court — told Registrar Y. Ben-David that the total debts of the party and fund come, to the best of his knowledge, to about IL60m. Some IL45m. was owed to individuals and IL15m. to institutions, he said.

In answer to questions by creditors' attorneys, Livni said that the emergency fund Herut set up in September 1975 had so far managed to collect about IL30m. Of this, IL16.5m. had come from private contributors in Israel and abroad, and the rest as loans from institutions. These loans, he explained, created new debts.

In the past two months, Livni said, about IL2-IL3m. of the IL60m. had been repaid. He said preference was going to creditors who had agreed to waive interest, as this had been a condition set by many of the contributors to the emergency fund.

Livni denied that Herut's leader, Knesset Member Menachem Begin, had returned from his recent trip abroad with IL55m. in contributions, as rumoured. He refused to say what the true amount was.

In answer to other questions, Livni said that Herut is no longer receiving any money from the Jewish Agency or from the United Jewish Appeal. Its sole regular intake is the IL360,000 monthly it gets under the Law for the Financing of Parties, he said.

In order to cut costs, he said, Herut had fired a third of its staff since September 1975. It had also tried to sell property, but had found, for instance, that the conditions of the lease on the land under its headquarters here bars it from selling the building.

He told one questioner that he knew of no one who owed money to Herut or to the Tel-Hai fund. Asked who among the holders of the IL60m. in debts was pressing particularly strongly for repayment, he answered, "I don't know anyone who isn't pressing."

The next hearing on the case will be held next month. (Him)

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Zion Turjeman of Jerusalem Hapoel makes doubly sure that he wins a race to the ball with Tel Aviv Betar's Yitzhak Avraham, pushing his opponent off with his hand. The Tel Aviv team won the game played on the Katamon ground in the capital, 1-0. (Rahamim Israeli)

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Rosenthal in the 57th minute. Six thousand saw the game at the Katamon ground.

Kfar Saba Hapoel started in hurricane style with goals by Yitzhak Avraham and Gidon Golases in the third and fifth minutes. But Acre Hapoel never gave up and by halftime were level with goals by Shalom Assayag and new signing Gabi Balli. The second half was evenly fought but produced no more goals.

Netanya Maccabi looked in good form in beating a keen Jaffa Maccabi side by 2:1. Only a fine performance by Jaffa goalkeeper Herzl Kahilke kept Netanya from scoring more goals. Gady Maccabi opened the scoring in the 38th minute, and Mordechai Spiegler put the home team into a 2:0 lead after 66 minutes. Moshe Onana pulled a goal back for Jaffa in the 83rd minute. Five thousand saw the game.

Tel Aviv Hapoel were on top in the first half against a sluggish Haifa Hapoel in Kiryat HaIm. Gil Landau headed the Tel Avivians into the lead after 24 minutes after four consecutive corner kicks. In the second half, Haifa Hapoel improved their game and centre forward Benny Alon, who has returned to the Haifa team after spending last year in the U.S., scored the equalizer in the 60th minute.

Shimonon and Haifa Maccabi played a goalless draw in the first game at the Bloomfield Stadium. Shimonon did most of the attacking but failed to find a way through the Haifa defence.

RESULTS
NATIONAL LEAGUE
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LIGA ARVET
Hadera Maccabi 2, Ashdod Hapoel 1; Petah Tikva Hapoel 2, Netanya Hapoel 2; Hadera Hapoel 2, Rishon Lesion Hapoel 2; Be'er Sheva Maccabi 2, Sasa Yehuda 3; Ramat Amichai Maccabi 0, Holon Hapoel 0; Netanya Betar 0, Ramat Gan Hapoel 0.

LEAGUE 'A' NORTH
Achim Hapoel 1, Mafliel Hapoel 1; Beersheba Hapoel 1, Be'er Sheva Hapoel 1; Hadera Hapoel 1, Upper Nazareth Hapoel 1; Tel Hana Hapoel 1, Shimonon Hapoel 1; Safed Hapoel 1, Nahariya Hapoel 1; Hertzliya Maccabi 1.

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'Surprise' budget bo

By JOSHUA BRILLIA
Jerusalem Post Reporter
Some — but not all — of the Knesset Finance Committee's proposals to the Treasury's proposals to next year's budget by 40 p.

The MKs were asked *The Jerusalem Post* to comment Treasury's forecast that the budget will total IL125b.

ELP's Yitzhak Golan said that Finance Minister Moshe Rabinowitz would maintain his present economic restraint "despite this is an election year" at hat Katsav (Labour) and Avitabi (NRP) said the bud peared inflated but they to voice any definitive opiozore examining the details poel.

The MKs' main concern checking the rate of inflatioan pointed out that Govern spending was the main so inflation, adding that the budget would cause one worthe year.

MEK's Moshe Arens (Likud) the proposal "a very graverrumour."

Mapam's Eliezer Ronen other hand, said that the price rises and debts that must reply he had "anticipbudget of IL180b.

New team see big rugby w

Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter
The Ha'agen-Nir Eliahu rugby team made a stunning entry in National League yesterday noon, scoring a 66-0 victory first-ever league game at the Haim (Herd) stadium. Led in the opening game of the was Haifa Technion, which t last in 1976-75.

Half of the Ha'agen player making their first appearance: formal rugby game. The tea organized and led by Glenn W organized and led by Glenn W captain of the National Team, side last year's winning. A brief the second registration drive in two conversions for 24 IL Arv.

Dudi Licht made his league as impressive one, with four Other Ha'agen scores were arrested (see try three conversions), Trevor, Shimon Feldman, A. King and Charles Johnson, with o each.

In a friendly game yesterday afternoon, Hot Tel Aviv, surprised defending, chas Holon, 38-12.

Manchester U moves to top

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Eban: No cooperation with UN agencies that boycott Israel

By JACK MAURICE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — Israel's former Foreign Minister Abba Eban appealed to the world's intellectual community here yesterday to refuse to cooperate with UN specialized agencies which discriminate against Israel.

Eban was addressing 160 leaders in the arts, education, science and labour from 25 countries at a conference on the instruction of politics to the work of the UN agencies. He said: "I advocate that the intellectual community should denounce its non-cooperation with any organization which violates its own constitution by discrimination." Eban said this non-cooperation, which has already been undertaken by many writers, artists and teachers towards Unesco, should be extended to the World Health Organization, International Labour Organization and other bodies which had become victims of an "epidemic" aimed against Zionism.

Eban said: "If the UN held a conference on a locust plague the conference would adopt a resolution against Zionism and leave the locusts intact."

Israel's ex-foreign minister said: "We ask the Arabs to regard the UN Assembly as the arena of struggle and to allow the humanitarian enterprises of the specialized agencies to be carried on."

Professor Richard Hoggart, Warden of Goldsmith's College, London University, who is a former assistant director general of Unesco, said: "Unesco no longer enjoys the respect of the scientific world."

Hoggart criticized Western European and American governments for "near-sightlessness and cynicism" towards the work of Unesco. He added: "These governments must take severe stock and not sell Unesco short. They must stop seeing it as a small branch of foreign policy."

Professor George Klein, of Stockholm's Karolinska Institute, praised

Israel's contribution to improving health conditions in the occupied areas and condemned WHO's general assembly for rejecting a report favourable to Israel under pressure from the Arab and Communist bloc.

Albert Shanker, vice-president of the AFL-CIO, condemned "vituperative speeches" against Israel by Palestine Liberation Organization observers at the International Labour Organization. He recalled that the U.S. Government had served notice to withdraw from ILO because of its domination by the Arab-Communist majority.

Professor Andre Lwoff, French holder of the Nobel Prize for medicine, who is president of the international committee for the universality of Unesco which organized the Paris conference, said: "We must recognize that most of the states which make up the automatic majority in the UN and specialized agencies are countries for whom the UN Charter and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights are a dead letter."

The Paris meeting is being held three weeks before the 140 member nations of Unesco send delegations to gather in Nairobi, Kenya, for the organization's first general conference on the black continent.

The U.S. has already vented its anger at the strategy of the automatic majority commanded by the Arabs and Communists in UN agencies by withholding \$50m. in membership dues from Unesco and by giving ILO two years notice of its withdrawal.

If the Arabs and Communists refuse to relent on the issue of Israel's exclusion from Unesco's regional groupings at Nairobi the U.S. is almost certain to leave the organization next year after the presidential election.

But observers here believe the "automatic majority" will decide to backtrack on its discrimination against Israel within Unesco in order to persuade the U.S. not to leave.

A 'love affair' of Labourites

By MARK SEGAL
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — British Prime Minister James Callaghan has promised that "Britain will continue to support Israel's right to exist, flourish and prosper within secure and recognized borders."

He said this in his greetings at "Israel Night," now an annual event for closing night of the Labour Party's annual conference. He dwelt on the close and traditional ties binding the British and Israeli labour movement, which, he said, was in keeping with the common values held by both peoples.

The evening was a huge success with hundreds of labour leaders attending. Half the party's national executive attended, as did leading

trade unionists. The absence of former Premier Sir Harold Wilson, hitherto a regular fixture at Labour Friends of Israel events, was explained in a message from him. Callaghan praised his predecessor's affection for Israel and announced that he had asked Wilson to go to Israel in November to be guest speaker at the annual Balfour dinner in Tel Aviv.

Praternal greetings from the Israeli Labour Party were brought by Esther Harlitz MK, member of the Knesset Defence and Foreign Affairs Committee, and Yoram Peri, the party's European representative. She was applauded when describing relations between Israel and British labour as an "ongoing love affair."

Politics and the Koenig memo

"Al Hamishmar's" publication of the Koenig report was done "not for journalistic purposes, but for political reasons," Knesset Interior Committee chairman Yoram Etkor (Likud) said on Friday.

Etkor, responding to Mapam MK Eliezer Ronen's criticism of the Interior Committee's condemnation of the Mapam newspaper for the publication of the report, said that the publication "damaged the State of

Israel and put propaganda ammunition in the hands of our enemies." The Knesset Interior Committee last Tuesday unanimously condemned publication of the Koenig report in "Al Hamishmar." MK Nessim Ellad (OLP) said that while the publication was repugnant, the contents of the document were even worse. The other committee members did not refer to the report itself.

Shlonsky archives to open for public

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The Shlonsky archives at Tel Aviv University's Hebrew Literature Research Institute will soon be open to the public.

The archives, which include manuscripts and letters of poet Avraham Shlonsky, will be open to visitors and researchers every Sunday from 10 a.m. to noon in room 320 of Beit Hachinukh.

Anyone possessing letters or other materials which might be valuable additions to the archives are asked to submit them to the university. If the donor requests it, the original document will be returned to him.

Dir el Balah officials tour Rishon LeZion

RISHON LEZION. — A tour of Rishon LeZion yesterday by members of the Dir el Balah Municipal Council was described as a way of establishing better understanding between Arabs and Jews.

Tat Aluf David Maimon, military governor of the Gaza Strip, said the tour was part of a plan to bring dignitaries and officials from the strip to visit municipalities and institutions in Israel. He noted that a group from the strip several weeks ago visited the "good fence" on the Lebanese border.

Muhammed Salim al Azzazi, Mayor of Dir el Balah, called the tour a good reminder of the relations of the past between the Arabs and Jews. Mayor Hana'ia Ghazal of Rishon LeZion also expressed hopes for peace.

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HOME — The Arami quadruplets (and mother) arrive in their new flat in Holon over the weekend after ending 40 days in hospital incubators. The weights of the three boys and one girl range from 2,350 grams to 2,600. (SSS)

'People no longer curious' about Dayan's newspaper

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Three hours after the last copies of "Ma'ariv" and "Yediot Aharonot" were sold in a shop on Carlebach Street here last week, a stack of "Hayom Hazeh" remained neatly piled on a small table. Over a third of the 100 copies delivered to the shop had not been sold and the owner said this was normal with former Defence Minister Moshe Dayan's afternoon daily which began appearing September 1.

"At first people were curious, but that's over," the owner said.

A vendor on Dizengoff street told The Jerusalem Post he sells seven to nine copies of "Hayom Hazeh" every day compared with a total of 150 issues of "Ma'ariv" and "Yediot Aharonot."

During its first days "Hayom Hazeh" editors claimed a circulation of 40,000 but last week deputy editor Bill Landau said circulation had "stabilized" at 25,000 to 30,000 copies a day. He claimed he had "no idea" as yet how many papers are sold on Fridays.

Dr. Dina Goren, of the Hebrew University's Institute of Communications, who has closely watched "Hayom Hazeh" initial steps, said she believed actual sales were lower. Advertisers seemed to concur with Dr. Goren. Only 12 institutions and individuals published advertisements in Wednesday's 24-page paper. Few of them were as splashy as when the newspaper first appeared. A check last month showed that most space was bought by Coca Cola.

"Hayom Hazeh" appears to suffer from a lack of experienced staffers. Its managing editor is a former police spokesman with no journalistic experience and his deputies

had served as reporters but not as editors. Most of the reporters are novices.

The paper improved somewhat in the past month and more foreign news is published. Nevertheless, Dr. Goren said she was surprised that Dayan gave his name to it.

Actually Dayan's hand hasn't been felt. The editor flew to Europe and America a week after the paper made its debut and he is still abroad promoting his memoirs.

Observers believe Dayan intends to use the paper at a later stage to put his political views across. He complained that his Labour Party kept him on the sidelines since he resigned from the Cabinet (after the Yom Kippur War). If his views regain popular support, his impact on Cabinet decisions may increase particularly since elections to the Knesset are due next year.

Dr. Goren suggested that Dayan may have wanted to use "Hayom Hazeh" to reach people who normally do not read newspapers. A light newspaper with many illustrations and streaming sports may appeal to such people. However, she noted, it was not clear whether people still read tabloids now that they can get a glimpse of the news on television.

Moreover, she said, "Hayom Hazeh" is a bad tabloid. In tabloids abroad one only had to look at pictures to learn much about what had happened. "Hayom Hazeh" has no such pictures, it was noted.

Dayan appeared to be aware of "Hayom Hazeh's" situation. "It will be a miracle if it succeeds but Israel is the land of miracles," he said in London a fortnight ago.

Dr. Goren appeared less optimistic. She pointed out that all Hebrew papers born since the state was created folded up sooner or later.

ILP chiefs urge Histadrut vote in May of '77

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Independent Liberal Party Histadrut leaders have recommended that the Labour Federation elections be held in May 1977 instead of December, 1977, as most Alignment leaders appear to advocate.

According to Histadrut regulations, elections should be held no later than December 31, 1977.

The two ILP leaders, Avraham Hasson and Zvi Wolf, wrote Secretary-General Yehoram Meshel that elections to the Knesset and local authorities will be held next October or November. If Histadrut elections are held in December, most party leaders will be busy in the negotiations over the future Government coalition. Labour federation leaders may then decide to postpone elections to the summer or autumn of 1978, far past the four-year tenure. The last elections were held in September 1973.

Bruschvig new head of Alliance Israélite

Jerusalem Post Correspondent
PARIS. — Jules Bruschvig, a leading member of France's Jewish community, was last week elected president of the Alliance Israélite Universelle. He succeeds the late Nobel Peace Prize laureate Rene Cassin.

The Alliance, which was founded in 1860, runs three major secondary schools and other institutions in Israel, thus continuing its tradition of providing schooling for Jewish children in North Africa and the Near East.

Bruschvig, who is 68, played a leading role with Cassin in reviving the Alliance after World War II.

LEBANESE FARMERS have renewed the supply of raw tobacco to the Dubek centre at Safad. 14 men and eight girls from Lebanon were re-engaged for sorting work. The supply from Lebanon was stopped several weeks ago, reportedly because the Libyan Government had offered the farmers high prices. As in the end the Libyans did not buy the tobacco, it remained in the villages. Growers in south Lebanon produce several hundred tons of tobacco annually worth over \$1m.

Nation at standstill for Yom Kippur

By JUDY SEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Traditional Jews will abandon their everyday cares and pleasures for 25 hours of prayer, confession, introspection and fasting as Yom Kippur 5737 begins this evening.

The holiest day in the Jewish calendar — from the stirring melody of the Aramaic Kol Nidre prayer until the confident tone of the Neila service — will bring the nation to a near standstill.

The fast begins at 4.45 p.m. today in Jerusalem (5.04 p.m. in Tel Aviv and 4.56 p.m. in Haifa) and ends at 5.57 p.m. tomorrow (6 p.m. in Tel Aviv and 5.59 p.m. in Haifa).

Families, some dressed in white and wearing rubber or plastic footwear (instead of leather) to "afflict the soul," will walk to synagogues this evening. Rabbis will preach that repentance, prayer and righteousness avert a severe decree against those who have sinned and ensure that they are sealed in the Book of Life for the new year.

In Jerusalem today, streets in religious neighbourhoods were still cluttered with crates of live white chickens for the kapparot ritual. The fowl is symbolically invested with the sins of the purchaser as it is swung over his head, then slaughtered and given to the poor for the pre-fast meal.

Thousands of worshippers are expected to visit the Western Wall, with the greatest numbers coming for Kol Nidre and Neila. Many will add a new layer of paper scraps between the stone crevices petitioning God for a better new year.

Police warn the public to be on special alert for suspicious objects and vehicles near synagogues and in other public places. All such cases should be reported at once to the authorities.

Beaches in the Tel Aviv area will be closed to bathing on Yom Kippur. No trains will run tomorrow night; trains will run according to the Sunday timetable on Tuesday.

Egged and Dan buses will cease to operate early today. Most Egged buses will stop running by 2:30 while Dan buses will stop about 3:00 p.m. Both cooperatives will have their buses on the road again by approximately 6:30 p.m. on Monday evening.

There will be no radio or TV broadcasts on Yom Kippur, but an emergency radio team will stand by at the Broadcasting Authority in Jerusalem as it has since the first anniversary of the outbreak of the Yom Kippur War.

Hotel guests who are not Jewish or are not observing the fast will be provided for under special arrangements.

The sound of hammering will be heard in many places immediately after the fast is broken by families starting construction of succas booths for the Feast of Tabernacles this week.

'Educated executives' graduate

Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA. — The first 87 graduates of the Haifa University Extension Division three-year courses in general administration, gerontology and political science (conducted jointly with the Haifa Labour Council) were awarded diplomas last week.

The graduates included senior employees in industrial and administrative key jobs in the north, export managers, insurance company men, social workers, public health nurses and senior army officers.

Haifa University president Eliezer Raftell told the graduates of the country's need for more educated executives to overcome the

prevailing administrative "diseases," such as the lack of planning, the reliance on improvisation, the shortage of middle echelon managers with professional skill and general culture. He urged them to remain "permanent students."

The head of the Israel Management Centre, Electric Corporation general manager Ariel Amlad, stressed the leadership role of the trained managers, saying that an efficient economy cannot do without them. The director of the Extension Division, Dr. Michael Perry, said: "Only organized and systematic training can give a manager the habits of thought and action in his work and help him overcome defects."

Knesset Clerk Lorch

Knesset Clerk Netanel Lorch was elected vice-president of the World Union of Parliamentary Clerks, at the body's convention in Madrid this week.

Lorch's election came despite vigorous protests from the clerks of the Egyptian and Sudanese parliaments. The union's new president is the clerk of the French National Assembly.

Grain purchase deal

Jerusalem Post Reporter
WASHINGTON. — The U.S. and Israel last week signed an agreement by which Israel will purchase 3.8m. dollars worth of U.S. grain commodities. Deputy Assistant Secretary of State Arthur Day and Israeli economic minister for North America Zev Scher signed the agreement at the State Department.



Yefim Bronfman, the 18-year-old Tashkent-born, Israeli pianist, is congratulated by bearded conductor Leonard Bernstein after his first appearance at Carnegie Hall with the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra in New York last week.

Musical ambassadors return

Jerusalem Post Reporter
One hundred and eight musicians of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra returned to Israel on Friday morning after a 40-day tour to the U.S. and Canada.

The orchestra travelled from coast to coast as cultural ambassadors in America's Bicentennial celebrations. An estimated 200,000 people attended the 28 concerts in 26 communities. Zubin Mehta conducted

the bulk of the concerts; Leonard Bernstein conducted two.

Eight different programmes were played. Among the soloists were Yitzhak Perlman, Pinhas Zukerman, Elinor Taur, Uri Pizant and Yefim Bronfman. Prolonged applause and standing ovations greeted the orchestra in all places. Many invitations for a return visit were extended, and if commitments permit, the IPO may go again this year to North America.

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630 die in Mexican hurricane

MEXICO CITY. — About 630 people died and 500 more were reported missing yesterday after a hurricane smashed into the city of La Paz in northwest Mexico.

About a third of the buildings in the city were flattened when hurricane Liza ripped into the city on Thursday night and early Friday with winds of up to 200 km. an hour.

Red Cross officials in the city said 4,000 people were injured and about 20,000 were made homeless. At least \$100m. worth of damage was caused when Liza struck.

The hurricane brought widespread flooding to La Paz, near the southern tip of the Baja California peninsula, 1,350 km. from here. About 15 vessels in the harbour were sunk or smashed to pieces.

"We think the number of deaths could reach 1,000. We urgently need clothing, medicine and food. The situation is very grave. There are many people still buried in the mud. It's frightening," said Rogelio Felix, a spokesman for the governor's office.

Heavy rains from the hurricane burst a 10-metre high dam just outside the desert resort city, sending a wall of water and mud over a shanty town where 10,000 people lived, thousands of them in cardboard shacks. Some of the shacks were swept as far as 10 km., a spokesman for the governor's office said.

Many of the deaths occurred because the residents of the shanty town either did not hear or did not heed warnings to take shelter in public buildings, a spokesman for the La Paz mayor's office said.

An official at the port captain's office said the death toll of 630 did not include victims found by Mexican troops who were helping "dig up bodies which they are now burying, most of them in common graves."

An airlift of food, blankets and medicine got under way shortly before dawn yesterday. Rescue supplies were also brought in by navy ships.

Felix said "an enormous blanket of mud" covered the area below where the dam broke along the Cajoncito river outside La Paz, devastating the shanty town.

Thousands of people looking for loved ones fled silently through the city morgue.

The storm later caused torrential rains and some flooding in parts of the southwestern U.S. National Weather Service officials warned that flooding could affect the Colorado river basin, much of Arizona, as well as desert areas of southern California and eastern and southern Nevada. (Reuters, AP)

Five guerrilla leaders killed in Argentina

BUENOS AIRES. — Five leaders of the leftist Montonero guerrillas were killed in a shoot-out with security forces last week. The guerrilla chief Mario Firmenich, escaped, an army spokesman said.

Four other members of the leftist group were captured in the raid by a combined army-police unit on a home in a residential neighbourhood. The shoot-out was described by military sources as one of the most violent during six years of guerrilla operations.

The communiqué said the Montonero organization "was knocked off balance" by the action, wiping out the "national political secretariat" responsible for directing activities among factory workers, university and high school students, and propaganda campaigns.

Argentina's other major leftist guerrilla group, the People's Revolutionary Army, suffered a blow in July when leader Roberto Santucho died in a similar raid. (UPI)

Egypt: Soviets rush tanks, ships to Libya

CAIRO. — The Soviet Union recently shipped new supplies of advanced weapons to Libya — including long-range heavy bombers, missiles and tanks — the newspaper "Al Goumhouria" reported on Saturday.

The paper said the deliveries were made at the "urgent request" of Libyan leader Colonel Moammar Gaddafi.

"The Soviet government has supplied Gaddafi lately with 12 reconnaissance planes, 75 fighter-bombers, a number of long-range heavy bombers, surface-to-air (Sam) missiles of different sizes, some fast naval units for reconnaissance and interception, and advanced tanks," the newspaper said.

Deliveries also include electronic monitoring and jamming equipment, it added.

The supplies were accompanied by Soviet technicians, "Al Goumhouria" said, and the Soviets have agreed to build workshops in Libya for maintenance and repair of their arms.

Libya concluded a substantial arms deal with the Soviet Union last year, following an improvement in bilateral relations which coincided with a steady deterioration in Egypt's relations with both countries.

A recent fledgling effort to mend fences between Egypt and Libya appears to have gone up in smoke following President Anwar Sadat's latest blast at Gaddafi.

The two countries have been at odds over a 1973 Gaddafi proposal for a merger, over policy towards Israel and over recent allegations of Libyan involvement in a coup attempt in the Sudan.

Recently Abdel-Kader Ghoka, Libya's ambassador in Cairo, began talks with Egyptian officials to try to heal the breach.

But Sadat heaped abuse on Gaddafi in a speech on September 28, calling him "that boy" and "the lunatic of Libya," and that appeared to kill chances of reconciliation.

Meanwhile, it was reported in London over the weekend that Libyan Prime Minister Abdel Salam Jalloud has promised to step up money aid to black guerrillas in South Africa and Rhodesia, and is ready to give them training facilities in Libya if they ask.

"Middle East" magazine on Friday quoted Jalloud in an interview as saying, "We are now sending arms and money to black African fighters in southern Africa. This liberation assistance will now be greater as military will increase." (UPI, Reuters)

Franco generals ousted as Spanish left riots

MADRID. — King Juan Carlos' government took firm steps on Friday night to cut short rioting army opposition to its reform programme as thousands of leftists battled with riot police during a major anti-government demonstration here.

A cabinet communiqué said two generals, both known for their diatribe support for the late General Franco's administration, had been prematurely retired.

The statement came as police fired volleys after volleys of tear gas grenades against thousands of students and workers who brought areas of central Madrid to a standstill until late in the night.

The demonstration was the culmination of a tense day during which opposition groups claimed that up to 20,000 workers had struck in protest of rightwing extremists, blamed for the shooting of a student here last Monday. Police said 50 people were arrested, mostly for throwing stones.

Informed sources said the two generals were retired for making public statements that they could not accept the dismantling of Francoism. Observers saw it as a warning to other rightists that the government would not tolerate opposition to its plans to hold general elections next year.

One of them, Lt-Gen. Fernando Santiago y Diaz de Mendiola, 66, was deputy vice-premier until two weeks ago when in a surprise move

he was replaced by a liberal, Gen. Manuel Gago. Mendiola was sacked for holding back on the reform programme.

The other man, Lt-Gen. Carlos Iniesta Cano, 68, a former director-general of the paramilitary Civil Guard police force and a fiery defender of the Francoist one-party state, sided with his colleague in a letter published in rightwing periodicals.

Both generals were due to remain on the active service list until they were 70, although neither was in command of troops as they had passed the age of 65.

The cabinet communiqué also announced the legalization of 10 political parties which will now be able to prepare for elections after being vetted by the cabinet.

The Socialist Party, which did not put itself forward for the cabinet scrutiny, nor the Communist Party which has been explicitly banned, were not included. Those legalised were mostly groupings of Francoist supporters which are expected to merge into a rightwing electoral alliance.

But the cabinet did give the go-ahead for the formation of a centrist group called the Popular Party and for a Social Democrat Party. Neither of these has at present a nationwide party structure.

The legalization of parties was a major innovation, as all were banned by Franco except the National Movement. (Reuters)

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Bank Leumi's Ford reprimands Cabinet mem for 'offensive' remark on blacks

WASHINGTON. — President Ford summoned Agriculture Secretary Earl Buttz on Friday and gave him "a severe reprimand" for making remarks about blacks that Ford found "highly offensive," White House press secretary Ron Nessen said.

The reprimand was triggered by an account in "Rolling Stone" magazine by John Dean, convicted Watergate figure, in which Dean quoted an unnamed Cabinet member as using strong language when asked why blacks did not vote for Republicans in greater numbers.

Nessen did not say how Ford learned that Buttz was the unnamed Cabinet officer, but it was known that the White House was aware that the forthcoming issue of "New Times" magazine identifies Buttz as the one who made the remark.

Nessen said Buttz expressed regret at making the remark, and an Agriculture Department spokesman said Buttz issued an apology "for the unfortunate choice of language."

Senator Edward Brooke, a Massachusetts Republican and the Senate's only black member, called on Ford to fire Buttz.

Buttz was called on to the White House carpet in November, 1974 after he told reporters a joke that mocked Pope Paul VI's opposition to birth control. Buttz was quoted as saying, "He no plays the game, he no makes the rules."

Ford's Democratic challenger, Jimmy Carter, is considering a drive among black voters, where apathy could cost him victory in the November 2 presidential election.

Blacks disenchanted with Ford say he is not attuned to their needs. But there is no sign they feel strongly enough to support a Democratic challenger to him all-out support.

A heavy black vote for Carter could spell victory in the state of Michigan, Illinois and a state of Georgia.

Just how Carter and his plan to woo the black vote yet known, though one option has been spelled.

One is the idea of a "Marshall Plan" for blacks similar to policies advanced by Democrats in the past.

Another would be to offer aid to blacks to combat previous economic discrimination. Another would be to size Carter's record towards as governor of Georgia.

But there were some landmarks, such as a sweeping investigation into past abuses by America's intelligence services.

New legislation was passed controlling the burgeoning American arms export trade, though there is still increasing concern in Congress about huge new weapons sales.

The concern centred particularly on deals with the Middle East, evident by recent opposition to sales of sophisticated missiles to Saudi Arabia.

Congress banned U.S. covert support for anti-Soviet factions in the Angolan civil war that helped change U.S. policy in Africa.

But Congress failed to act in other areas. It could not work out a comprehensive energy plan to reduce reliance on foreign oil, still growing despite the much-

vaunted energy independent programme first proposed by President Richard Nixon.

This Congress, which ran from 1974 to 1975, also had its well-publicised scandals, and resignation of -veteran- D. Wayne Hays of Ohio following admission that he had had an affair with a secretary, Elizabeth.

The November 2 elections will see 48 seats in the House of Representatives and one-third of the Senate. Both houses expected to remain firmly in Democratic control.

A number of leading figures have retired from Congress in January — among them Mike Mansfield and Hugh S. Democratic and Republican in the Senate, and House Carl Albert.

94% of U.S. firms complied with Arab boycott

WASHINGTON. — About 94 per cent of the U.S. firms asked to participate in the Arab boycott against Israel comply with requests, according to Commerce Department statistics issued Friday.

In the six-month period ended last March 31, U.S. firms received 11,482 requests to comply with the boycott.

Most of the requests asked for goods or material should be of Israeli origin and that they be used to transport the goods to the Arab boycott.

Meanwhile, the Central Intelligence Agency, which has been asked to investigate the Arab boycott, said it was looking into the matter.

U.S. gave Egypt more economic aid than Israel in 1976

CAIRO. — U.S. economic aid to Egypt in the past fiscal year totals \$795m., \$25m. more than American non-military aid to Israel. And Egyptian officials say they expect the same amount in the new fiscal year which began on Friday.

Four agreements signed here on Thursday include \$85m. in loans for imports of agricultural and industrial equipment, as well as a \$24m. loan to finance building a computerized control centre for Egypt's electrical power system.

In the three years since restoration of diplomatic relations between Cairo and Washington, U.S. aid to Egypt has risen from zero to almost \$1,000m. a year, if money for purchases of food is included. The U.S. is also granting Egypt favourable financial terms for buying two nuclear reactors worth \$1,800m. and six military transport planes with a price tag of \$39m.

The massive commitment of funds is evidence of U.S. efforts to bolster Egypt's sagging economy and support the leadership of President Anwar Sadat. The Egyptian ruler cast his lot with the U.S. following his 1973 war on Israel, and scrapped Cairo's mutual friendship treaty with Moscow.

Fiscal year 1976 U.S. economic aid to Israel came to \$770m. However, that does not include the much greater amount of U.S. military aid channelled to Israel. The six transport planes approved this year comprise the only military aid going to Egypt.

French kidnap victims dead

GRENOBLE, France. — Police discovered the decomposed bodies of two people who were kidnapped last June in the Grenoble area by a mysterious group calling itself Unit 666 of the Red Brigades.

Police found, under a pile of rocks and several feet of earth, the bodies of Christian Leroy, 24, and Muriel Trabelsi, 21, their heads battered and their hands and feet bound. Forensic experts said the two had been dead two months or more.

The discovery gave rise to fears that another kidnap victim claimed by the Red Brigades, Olga Moiseenko, 21, could also be dead.

Unit 666 claimed in a telephone call to Grenoble police last July that it was responsible for Moiseenko's disappearance and demanded a ransom first of 7.5m. francs (\$1.2m.) and then of 750m. francs (\$120m.).

King's dealings with American Bank and Trust include a suit brought in 1971 by the firm and the bank against fugitive financier Robert Weico for \$8m. in connection with the Investors Overseas Services scandal.

The family's Swiss-Israeli Trade Bank in Tel Aviv has little local business, Israeli financial sources said. A Mexican source said David was planning to go into business with a Hebra partner, who could not be reached for comment. Bank observers noted Israel's regulatory controls would pose difficulties for any unexplained influx of funds.

Wall Street Week Sharpest setback of the year

NEW YORK. — The stock market, jolted by a downturn in Government statistics on the economic outlook, sustained its sharpest setback of the year this past week.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrial stocks fell 29.22 points to 779.88, posting losses in all of the last four sessions of the week after a modest gain on Monday.

It was the largest weekly loss for the average since it tumbled 41.87 points December 1-5 of last year.

Standard and Poor's 500-stock index added 2.63 to 104.17, and the New York Stock Exchange composite index was down 1.32 at 55.70.

Big Board volume averaged 18.25 million shares a day, down from 25.32 million in the previous week. The selloff began at Tuesday's opening, when the Government re-

ported that its Index of Leading Economic Indicators fell 1.5 per cent in August for its first decline in a year and a half.

The figure seemed to give new weight to the concern traders have been showing in recent months over the progress of the recovery from the recession.

In Tuesday's trading the Dow fell 18.20 points for its worst daily showing in more than four months. It then lost 3.74 on Wednesday, 1 on Thursday and another 10.30 Friday.

The weekly tally of NYSE-listed issues showed 1,302 losers and 541 gainers among the 3,083 traded.

There were 207 new individual highs for the year and 60 new lows.

On the American Stock Exchange, the market value index fell 2.12 to 101.58. (AP)

THIS WEEK at the TEL-AVIV MUSEUM

EXHIBITIONS
Tel Aviv Museum, 27 Sderot Shani Hamelech
Mordechai Moreh, etchings, 1957-76, Graphics Hall
Arie Aroch, itineraries, Forms, Zacks Hall
Helen Rubinstein Pavilion, 6 Behov Tarnat
Reuven Bernan, drawings, 1966-76

CONCERTS
Wednesday, October 6, 8.30 p.m.
Tel Aviv Municipality, in cooperation with
Instituto Italiana Di Cultura, presents
ALBERTO POMERANZ
Trends in Contemporary Italian Piano Music:
R.S. Veneziano, F. Busoni, M.D. Sica, A. Cestini

Saturday, October 9, 8.30 p.m.
Valery Maistry
presents
Look into the History of Organ Music
J.S. Bach, Sweelinck, Praetorius, Frescobaldi,
Cranach, Buxtehude, Fachel.

Visiting hours: Sunday, Oct. 3, eve of Yom Kippur, and Metzav
Yom Kippur: closed, Tue., 10 a.m.-1 p.m.; 4-10 p.m. (Library
10 a.m.-1 p.m.; 4-7 p.m.); Wed., Thurs., 10 a.m.-5 p.m. (Library
10 a.m.-4 p.m.); Fri., 10 a.m.-2 p.m. (Library 10 a.m.-1 p.m.)
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Week In Review
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THE TWO olive drab half-tracks
jammed with soldiers rumbling along
the south Lebanese tarred border
road were not an unusual sight:
villagers here, like reporters who
have visited the border zone in recent
years, regularly see Israeli motorised
units on shallow patrols into south
Lebanon looking for Palestinian ter-
rorists. The troops last week had the
familiar look — alert, well-armed
young soldiers, many bearded, in
camouflage-netted helmets with
machine-guns and assault rifles at the
ready. As they passed Israeli forts,
50 metres across the minefield,
barbed-wire fence and sandbag ber-
rier along the border, they ex-
changed hand signals with the Is-
raeli guards in the machine-gun
towers.

The air of wartime normalcy was
abundant, however, when
the two armoured vehicles halted in
the Lebanese village of Kella, and
the smiling troops dismounted, visit-
ing at home and suddenly speaking
Arabic. On closer inspection, the
Israeli-looking force turned out to be
Lebanese Maronite Christians be-
longing to the right-wing militia,
the Phalangists.

As Lebanese Christian forces have
emerged triumphant in their main
ethnic base in the northern part of

South Lebanon villages fortify against return of terrorists

'WE WON'T LET PLO BACK'

By JOSEPH FITCHETT

this war-torn country, a few isolated
Maronite Christian villages in the
south have openly defied the occupa-
tion of leftist Lebanese and Pales-
tinian gunmen.

With covert help from Israel the
Phalangists have fortified their vil-
lages against the Fatah environment
and created a *cordon sanitaire* along
the border with Israel.

Their situation on the border al-
lows them to get help quickly from
Israel, and in return the right-wing
Lebanese control means that Pales-
tinian terrorists will have to con-
tend with their Christian enemies
before they can reach Israel. Al-
ready, Palestinians have vanished
from the border sanctuaries which
won the name "Fatahland" for this
area, and a drive along the length
of the Lebanese-Israeli frontier en-
abled reporters to see that the
Palestinian presence has evaporated
— and will probably never return.
Lebanese Christian rightists here

said that they have assembled a
force which will enable them to
escalate beyond the stage of self-
defence and pass to the offensive
against the terrorists in a wider
area of south Lebanon. A plan for
a lightning offensive was ready, a
former Lebanese army captain said,
and would be put into effect soon
if the right-wing Lebanese leaders
in north Lebanon became disen-
tached with the new Lebanese Pres-
ident Elias Sarkis.

The sight of the mobile Phalan-
gist strike force on the border road
and the strength of the Maronite
Christian forces in the villages con-
firmed these claims of strength.
Many Phalangist fighters here are
equipped with grenades and ammu-
nition with Hebrew markings. News-

men arriving here from Israel say
that officials there confirm that
Phalangists are receiving training
and being injected back across the
border. For the Palestinian sabo-
tage movement and their leftist
Lebanese allies, the threat is very
serious. The leftist alliance is al-
ready hard-pressed by strengthened
Christian forces in the north and
by a large Syrian expeditionary
corps in the east.

The new Lebanese Christian of-
fensive coincided with the visible
weakening of the Palestinian Lib-
eration Organisation in Lebanon. The
collapse of the Palestinian bastion,
the Tel el-Zaatar refugee camp and
the mountain enclave, freed a quan-
tity of Lebanese Phalangist fighters
for the new theatre of operations.

Christian recruitment and training
is also providing fresh forces.

Moreover, the Palestinians' posi-
tion among Lebanese groups which
used to support them has also de-
teriorated fast. Besides the iso-
lated Maronite Christian villages,
Moslem villages here in South Leba-
non are also starting to arm them-
selves to prevent Palestinian ter-
rorists from using them as bases. Al-
ready the Shia Moslem village of
Maroun el-Ras has built an anti-
Palestinian perimeter.

The Shia Moslems constitute
Lebanon's largest Islamic sect: a
poor, backward community, they
predominate here in South Lebanon,
where they were caught between
Israeli military reprisals for ter-
rorist activities and Lebanese gov-
ernment neglect in defence and wel-
fare. Many migrated to Beirut,
where they were active left-wing
recruits in the initial stages of the
civil war. However, Shia leaders

like Imam Mousa Sadr and the
Lebanese parliamentary Speaker,
Kamel el-Asad, have recently man-
aged to reassert their control over
the community and avenging the Shia
into line with the Maronites and
the Syrians. The Shia traditionally
had an alliance with Lebanon's
Maronite hegemony. The Syrian
elite is drawn from the Alawite
sect, which is now being assim-
ilated to the Shia for religious pur-
poses in the Islamic world. The
common ground for this three-way
alliance is disenchantment with the
Palestinian terrorists.

The PLO's main ally in South
Lebanon, the breakaway Lebanese
Arab Army, has also lost strength
and popularity as a result of cor-
ruption and inefficiency and squab-
bling. As it divided, the Lebanese
Maronites became readier to defy
any counter-attack as they emerged
in open hostility after trying to re-
main unobtrusive for the first year
of warfare. For Israel, these devel-
opments strengthen the pressures
building up against the PLO in-
side Lebanon, the only neighbour-
ing state where the terrorists re-
tained any freedom of action. It
also increases the chances of a re-
gime emerging in Lebanon which
will keep the Lebanese border quiet.
(Oran)

Fall-out over Red Sea
from Eritrean uprising

Washington letter/ By WOLF BLITZER

WASHINGTON. —
CONTINUED U.S. support of Ethio-
pia in its dispute with the rebel-
lious province of Eritrea cannot be
justified on the belief that an in-
dependent Eritrea would jeopardize
Israel's interests in safe sea pas-
sage through the Red Sea, accord-
ing to a new study prepared by an
American expert on the area.

Tom J. Farer, a former official
in the U.S. Department of State
and Defence and now a professor
of law at Rutgers University in
New Jersey, is critical of strate-
gists who argue that an independent
Eritrea will enhance the capacity
of the Arab states to blockade
Israel's commerce passing through
the Red Sea, and he specifically
challenges Hebrew University
Professor Mordechai Abir, Is-
rael's leading authority on the strategic
importance of the Horn of Af-
rica and the Bab el-Mandeb strait.

Farer concedes that Israeli com-
merce through the Red Sea is im-
portant, particularly the Iranian
oil, which, following the return of
the Abu Rodels oil-fields to Egypt
last year, takes on an even greater
significance. "Iranian oil not only
satisfies Israeli energy needs but
in addition, is a source of hard
currency: the oil pipeline between
Iraq and Ashkelon on Israel's
Mediterranean coast is the founda-
tion for a transit trade which by
1972 had reached an annual level
of 30 million tons," he writes.

"Several pumping stations under
construction will soon permit ex-
ploitation of the pipeline's full 60
million ton capacity."

But despite the importance of
this commerce, Israel need not re-
sist an "Arab threat" to Israel
shipping, the author main-
tains. He presents the following
case to explain why:

While Israel refers on occasion to
the possibility of attacking a
southern blockade from its base at
Sharm el-Sheikh, at the tip of
Sinai, it has primarily emphasized
deterrent measures which it could
employ against Arab commerce in
the Gulf of Suez and the northern
part of the Red Sea. "The Israelis
can deter a blockade or lesser
forms of harassment by present
capabilities," he says. "These in-
clude harassment of Egyptian oil
operations in Sinai and the Gulf
of Suez and attacks on the tanker
fleet the Arab states are now be-
ginning to acquire. Furthermore,
even very low levels of retaliatory
violence in the area of the Suez
Canal and its approaches would
suffice to dry up the stream of
commerce which once again eases
Egypt's perennially dreadful finan-
cial constraints."

Thus, although Egypt would seem
to be the Arab state with the
most compelling interest in a Red
Sea blockade, beyond the range of
Israeli hegemony in the air and
sea, it has evinced peculiarly little
interest in developments around the
strait of Bab el-Mandeb and is one
of the few Arab states not even
accused of assisting Eritrean in-

surgency. The Egyptians are ap-
parently well aware of their grave
vulnerability to Israeli counter-
measures.

Farer does acknowledge that
while an independent Eritrea would
align itself with the major Arab
states, its toleration of military
operations launched from its soil
by Palestinian terrorists would be
"astounding." According to the au-
thor, "such tolerance would alienate
both Egypt and the major dispen-
sers of petrodollars, with the pos-
sible exception of Libya. It would
invite Israeli retaliation against the
country's two most important as-
sets: the ports of Asseb and Mas-
sawa. The mere threat of armed
conflict would deflect commercial
shipping and hence transit trade
from the interior to the competing
port of Djibouti." Therefore, Eri-
trea's own national interest sug-

gests that it would be suicidal to
blockade or harass Israeli shipping.

"I don't think there is any pos-
sibility that Ethiopia can win that
war," Farer said at the luncheon.
Unless some sort of negotiated
settlement leading to independence
can be worked out between Ethio-
pia and Eritrea, he predicted, the
current tensions could "result in
another Angola," especially when
complicated by the simultaneous
conflict between Ethiopia and
neighbouring Somalia and next
year's scheduled independence for
Djibouti.

Farer warned that Washington
and Moscow were being dragged
"into a proxy confrontation" through
attachments to their respective
clients — Ethiopia and Somalia,
with the latter country providing
the Soviet navy with extensive use
of port facilities.

Further complicating the situa-
tion were the given current U.S.-
Soviet policy trends in the area,
which Farer listed as including:
the perception of an escalating
naval competition, the struggle for
influence in Africa and the Middle
East and the great concern for
American credibility. But the en-
tire Horn of Africa, according to
Farer, has only peripheral strate-
gic value to both the United
States and the Soviet Union. The
geopolitics of the Horn are poorly
understood by most strategists and
the extent and present significance
of the Soviet presence in the re-
gion by Indian Ocean have been greatly
exaggerated, he says. The Soviet
Union actually has the strategic advan-
tage there because the Soviet Union
has a greater need for, yet less as-
sured access to, littoral support
facilities.

with Russia and see Moscow as
their true and trusted friend.

While there can be no substitute
for the loss of Egypt and naval
facilities at Alexandria the Russians
have already done much to redress
the balance by co-operating closely
with Libya. According to a recent
article in the London Economist's
Foreign Report, the Russians have
established military depots in Libya
which are under their exclusive con-
trol with no Libyans being allowed
access.

The weaponry in these depots in-
cludes 1,000 T-62 tanks, about 3,000
armoured troop carriers, several
hundred heavy and light guns, ar-
tillery batteries, aeroplane parts
(including engines for Mig-21 and
Mig-23) and all the equipment re-
quired for a force of about 60,000
men. Russian Mig-23 aircraft have
been operating from Libyan airfields
and the Soviet navy is using facil-
ities at Libyan ports.

We now know that the Russians
have supplied Libya with the formi-
dable "Scud" surface-to-surface mis-
siles with a range of 1,000 miles.
The Libyans have also been purchasing
Soviet submarines and fast missile
boats and a large training pro-
gramme has been started in Russia
for Libyan naval personnel. There
is every indication that the Russians
are turning Libya into a powerful
military base and springboard for
militant and revolutionary activities
in the Middle East and Africa.

Both President Sadat and Presi-
dent Numeiri have claimed that
Russia was behind the recent sabo-
tage act in Egypt and the abortive
coup in the Sudan. Indeed the Egyp-
tian and the Sudanese governments
are understood to be convinced now
that plots are prepared by the Soviet
security police, the KGB, rather than
Col. Gaddafi as originally thought,
because the plans had been made
with such precision and thoroughness
as to be beyond the capability of the
Libyans.

One may speculate on where all
this may lead the Russians. They
still run the risk of having their
effort brought to nothing. But then,
Libya buys its arms from Russia for
hard cash. The total paid out so far
is believed to be in the region of
\$700m. And as long as the Middle
East crisis continues unresolved the
Russian gamble is far from lost.
(Gemin)

Soviet squatters resist
Saudi eviction attempts

By KARL LAVRENIC

ing decidedly in favour of more
moderate policies and economic
development in the Arab world, and
away from Soviet-encouraged
schemes of warfare postures and
confrontation with Israel, although
this certainly does not signify any
greater love for the Jewish State
among the Arabs.

In the Gulf, the Emir of Kuwait
has clamped down on Palestinian
and left-wingers in the National
Assembly as well as the press. The
Sultan of Oman has announced the
"virtual" ending of Communist-
fomented civil strife in the southern
province of Dhofar. Even Iraq has
lately been showing reduced en-
thusiasm for making common cause
with Russia, after the rapproche-
ment with the Shah of Iran, at the
expense no doubt of the rebellious
Kurds. At the other extreme of the
Arab world both Morocco and Al-
geria, on the brink of war with
each other over Western Sahara, are
ironically sinking into ever
greater dependence on Washington—
Morocco because of huge purchases
of American arms and Algeria be-
cause of the need for U.S. finance,
markets for gas and technology.

Syria, a staunch friend of the
USSR for many years, has fallen
out with Moscow on account of
Lebanon. The Palestinians continue
to enjoy Russian support, and now
have an office in Moscow, but have

found themselves in a quandary
and their case has sunk to a very
low ebb indeed.

The Russians have put in an im-
mense and very expensive effort in
the past 18 years designed to win
the friendship and support of the
Arab world. Have the shifting
sands of the Middle East now swal-
lowed up the Soviet investment?

There is no sign yet of the Rus-
sians throwing in the sponge. In a
sense the Soviet leaders, or some
of them, may regard the hostility
of the right-wing and traditionalist
element in the Arab world as a
blessing in disguise. It will now be
easier for all those bent on violent
changes in the region to identify

THE DISPLAY of Soviet-supplied
rockets and other weapons at a
parade in Tripoli on the anniver-
sary of Colonel Muammer Gaddafi's
Libyan revolution, last month, illus-
trated the latter-day friendship be-
tween erstwhile bitter antagonists.
Only a few years ago, Gaddafi used
to refer to Russia as "Enemy No. 1
of the Arabs."

This is not to say that Libya
has gone soft on Communism.
However volatile and unpredictable
Gaddafi's policies follow a consist-
ent course. And so do those of the
Russians. The Libyan leader is im-
plicitly committed to total war
with Israel until the Jewish State
has been wiped off the earth. The
Russians may not subscribe to this
final solution. But should forces of
moderation prevail in the Arab
world, this most certainly would
mean the end of Russia in the
Middle East. If rewards were to be
bestowed into ploughshares there
would be little left for the USSR
to do in the region.

The reverses which Russia has
recently suffered in the Middle East,
including the defection of Egypt,
are commonly attributed to the suc-
cesses of Dr. Henry Kissinger's shut-
tle diplomacy in the region. But
this would be to pay the American
Secretary of State far more com-
pliments than he truly deserves. It
would also be to impute to the

EGYPTIAN leadership a measure of
credulity that President Anwar
Sadat almost certainly has not.

It is true that the Americans
can do more to help the Arabs win
their case against Israel than the
Russians ever can. But it would be
the limit of wishful thinking on the
part of the Arabs to expect the
Americans to give up Israel for
the sake of befriending them. The
benefits which Egypt has so far
got out of the U.S. are puny indeed,
in terms of economic, military and
other aid.

The reason why Sadat has made
the fateful decision to expel the
20,000 Russian experts from Egypt
in 1972 and subsequently to abro-
gate the 15-year friendship pact
with the USSR earlier this year
was not to please the Americans
or win their favours — not pri-
marily at any rate. The important
consideration was to win the sup-
port of Saudi Arabia. It was no
coincidence that Sadat denounced
his friendship treaty with the Rus-
sians last March shortly after visit-
ing King Khalid in Riyadh.

Saudi Arabia has made abundantly
clear to all prospective recipients
of her aid that they must first and
foremost get rid of the Communists
and Russians before they can qualify
for any substantial support. The
message had been addressed to
Sadat as it was to President Jaafar
Numeiri, President Hafez Assad of
Syria and indeed to President Siad
Barre of Somalia.

In return for giving up the Rus-
sian connection the Arab countries
may expect from Saudi Arabia
vital financial backing.
In this scheme of things, Egypt
must be turned into an industrial
arsenal of the Arab world and the
Sudan into a granary — with Saudi
Arabia providing much of the
finance.

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Call for tolerance

THE TOMB OF THE PATRIARCHS in Hebron is equally sacred to Jews and Moslems. The reverence in which Moslems held our Biblical ancestors provides one of the basic links between the two monotheistic religions.

Although Jews were barred for centuries from entering the inner sanctum of the Tomb of the Patriarchs, ever since 1967 when Israel regained access to Hebron, the Military Government made it explicit policy to recognize the equal rights for prayers at the Tomb by both Jews and Moslems. Hence the somewhat curtailed prayer and visiting time at the Tomb for Jews on Fridays, the holy day in the week for Moslems, as well as on Moslem religious feast days.

To facilitate this policy, somewhat intricate arrangements had to be introduced at the Tomb nine years ago and constantly adjusted to changing needs that would do justice to Jewish and Moslem worshippers alike. But this policy of granting equal rights for both religions requires a great deal of mutual tolerance and understanding, since the slightest incident could lead to a major flareup involving emotion-laden religious feelings by both sides.

Yesterday's alleged sacrilege of the Koran — the Moslem holy scriptures — by anonymous Jewish worshippers or visitors at the Tomb of the Patriarchs is an act that will be condemned by every Jew, regardless of his religious background. There can be no reason, not even the claimed desecration of Jewish religious artefacts, to justify such an abominable deed.

Those religious extremists among the settlers of Kiryat Arba, who for some time now have been putting themselves above the law, will do well to reflect and repent for their actions during their Yom Kippur prayers.

Instead of stepping up incitement and religious fanaticism, the one place where both Jews and Moslems pray to their God should become a bridge for understanding and cooperation between the two people who are destined to live together in the same land.

African peace initiative

SECRETARY OF STATE Kissinger's peace formula for Rhodesia has run into serious trouble. Certain details for transfer of power to Africans, accepted by Rhodesian Premier Ian Smith 10 days ago, were never approved by the black leaders. U.S. officials have now acknowledged this, saying that what Smith accepted were Kissinger's own refinements for a peaceful settlement.

The five Presidents of Tanzania, Zambia, Botswana, Mozambique and Angola now insist that all details be up for negotiation; the Smith regime maintains it agreed to a "package deal" and hints it was duped, with the blacks getting concessions through Kissinger and now raising their price.

The Presidents who met in Lusaka last week balked because they say that while Smith agreed to black majority rule and independence within two years, he is trying to predetermine the conditions which should properly be subject to negotiation. They want details for a Rhodesian transitional government to be left, first, to a conference outside Rhodesia to deal with forming a black transitional government, and second, to another parley to draw up an independence constitution in two years.

The Presidents were most specific over Smith's statement that the interim government would comprise a Council of Ministers and a Council of State. The first would have an African majority but with the vital portfolios of defence and police remaining in white hands for the two years. This irked the blacks, for it applies to the guerrillas who have been fighting for four years.

Above all, Smith specified that the Council of State, with equal white and black representation, would be the supreme body during transition, which should rule by consensus but which would need a two-thirds majority should voting be required. It would also appoint the Council of Ministers and draw up the new constitution.

What angered the Africans was that Smith thus would have a built-in blocking mechanism in the Council of State: it would not only appoint African ministers but its white section of 50 per cent could overturn the decisions of an African majority cabinet during the interim period. And a transitional government would be unable to change racial laws or redress other African grievances.

Britain has agreed to the Presidents' call for a conference outside Rhodesia somewhere else in Southern Africa within two weeks, but the Rhodesians do not want it to constitute a full-scale constitutional parley.

Despite heated African statements of the past few days — backed by Moscow's only-to-be-expected vitriolic campaign against the Kissinger plan — this does not mean the peace initiative has failed. But it has reached a new, admittedly more delicate, phase in the process towards black majority rule in Rhodesia.

It appears that Smith must agree to talk on the terms of the five African Presidents whose tones are becoming increasingly strident — or face the prospect of an escalating war with its concomitant Soviet opportunism. A crucial battle of wits and principles faces all parties at this great turning point in Southern Africa — for good or bad.

WHAT IS YOM KIPPUR TO US?

I ASK myself and I wonder whether anyone else is interested: What is Yom Kippur to us, to those who do not observe the forms of religion?

The nation set one special day aside devoted to taking stock of itself as a nation, and for its members to take stock of themselves as members of a specific people, to take stock of their lives, to abandon themselves completely to the most lofty demands of the human spirit. Private affairs and accounts come to a halt: on Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur there are few prayers and supplications concerning one's livelihood.

The important accounts and serious matters were the order of the day — the national, human, and cosmic accounts. Gone were the divisions between individuals and the withdrawal of people into their private selves. All individuals felt themselves as members of a single sublime organism, one nation; as personality-cells within one, single sublime personality coming to take stock of itself, its life, its world. The private personalities, the individual, grew and rose to higher levels with the ascent of the sublime personality, just as that, in turn, grew and rose with the ascent of the individuals.

Here is the core of the matter: the individual as an individual is able to take stock of himself every day or any day he feels so disposed. But as in every national undertaking, especially one of a religious-national character, strength is important, the strength that is increased in each individual who participates in this joining of forces; the light that is poured on the individual from the life-abundance of the sublime personality. Important, too, is the lofty melodiousness that is imparted to the individual voice when it blends in the concord of voices of the sublime, human-cosmic choir.



The following uncompleted essay was written by AHARON DAVID ("Aleph Dalet") GORDON, spiritual giant of the Second Aliya. Gordon, originally an observant Jew, later declared himself a "secularist," at least "not religious in the conventional sense." The essay, which has been translated by Moshe Kohn, appears in Gordon's "Michtavim Ureshimot," published by Zionist Library, Jerusalem, 1954.

I am not asking myself about the origin of Yom Kippur or its ancient form. I do not ask whether this is what Yom Kippur is to the majority of the nation today or was to the generations, just passed.

Facing me are a fact and a possibility. It is a fact that for many generations it was a day which the entire nation dedicated to repentance, prayer, and the service of the heart. It gave the spiritually sensitive the opportunity of making their inner reckoning on the loftiest plane.

I ASK: Is this day for us merely a

heritage from the past, a remnant of antiquity? Do we intellectual and scientific super-sophisticates really not need such a day, and precisely on a national scale? If this day ceases to be what it has been — if it becomes an ordinary day like all others — will this not constitute a great national and human loss, a spiritual disaster from which none of us, neither the Jewish People as a whole nor we, its individual children, will ever be able to recover?

Actually, this question applies to all our holy days, and to the Jewish religion in general as the quietest

tial expression of our national spirit, our national intrinsicality. Our generation asks: What has all this to do with us? What has religion to do with us?

Have we closed our account with Judaism? Have we begun and finished? Have we clarified to ourselves, have we really asked ourselves at all, what religion means to the human soul; above all — what Judaism, the creation of our national spirit, means to the soul of the Jew? Have we asked and clarified — the way a unique matter of this sort ought to be examined and clarified?

So long as we were pen the ghetto walls, rent as from the great life of the man and from his broad abundant life, we accepted ancestors had handed to us in it, gave our lives for it, knew the world and all the close range, when we can man and his life, when we also what others handed realized that the legac ancestors was no longer it with what was growing a ing in our own mind and

BUT DID WE carefully problem? Did we scr analyse and examine wha ly become antiquated suitable, utterly with decayed, and what, on hand, had become blur acceptable in form only, merely a more enlighten ble form, being in its eas and fresh, awaiting only regeneration?

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Dry Bones



POSTSCRIPTS

WOMEN MEMBERS of New York's Federation of Reform Synagogues have taken a giant step in the direction of Women's Lib. A task-force, made up of "well-educated, hard-working female congregants who wish to change things from within, because we want our daughters to remain Jewish," has opened a campaign to eliminate masculine terminology from the Jewish liturgy.

"We can no longer accept the use of masculine terminology on the basis that it is generic and covers all humankind," Ms. Edith Miller, Chairperson of the Liturgy Committee told the task force this week. "We want language which utilizes words encompassing male and female together and as one."

According to JTA, a glossary of substitute words for "Lord," "Father," "King" and "Master" was presented to the meeting. They include "God," "Almighty," "Creator" instead of "Lord" and "Ruler" instead of "King" or "Master."

We read to think what will happen if these women turn their ferocious attention to the Book of Genesis. Will they turn Adam into "Eve's Rib" and have him tempt her with the apple?

A VETERAN member of Kibbutz Maayan Baruch is holding an open-air exhibition of his sculpture in the grounds of the kibbutz. He is David Fine who first came to this country in the War of Independence as a volunteer from South Africa.

Fine is one of the few kibbutz artists permitted to devote all his time to art and he is a keen campaigner for the right of other kibbutzniks to be allowed to do the same. However, before Maayan Baruch permitted

him to concentrate on sculpture, David Fine spent years as an ordinary member, sharing in the farm work and even doing a stint as kibbutz secretary.

He firmly believes that kibbutzism loses many valuable artist members because of the rigid adherence to the dogma that art is not really work. The Maayan Baruch exhibition is to be transferred shortly to the Gordon Gallery in Tel Aviv. Y.H.

U.S. FARM NEWS is the journal of the U.S. Farmers Association. Not being familiar with the wide horizons of the American farming world, we cannot ourselves judge the importance or otherwise of either the journal or those whose viewpoints it represents. We merely note that in the August 1976 issue, sent to us by a concerned reader in Florida, a leading article refers to the U.S. Farmers Association as having been forced into "obscurity" because it was the one, lone farm group that had been pointing unerringly to both the malady and the cure (for low farm prices). The leaders of both parties and the news media had an almost total blackout on the organization.

For this reason, we wonder whether we should be unduly worried by the other leading article which draws attention to the publication elsewhere in the same issue of a statement presented to President Wilson in 1919 protesting against "the organization of a Jewish State in Palestine." The statement was prepared by a "committee of prominent Jews" and presented to Wilson by Congressman Julius Kahn of San Francisco.

Is it possible that U.S. farmers have no other worries than to reprint ancient anti-Zionist propaganda?

Argentine Jews fear Nazism spread

By JAMES NEILSON

BUENOS AIRES. — A FLURRY of bomb attacks against synagogues, coming on top of an astonishing proliferation of anti-Semitic Nazi and Fascist publications, has sent a spasm of fear through Argentina's half-million-strong Jewish community, by far the biggest in Latin America. The bombs were planted by the National Socialist Front, just one of the dozens of Nazi groups active in the country, which announced they marked the beginning of a "war of extermination" against the "Jewish-Bolshevik plutocracy."

Jewish leaders have good reason to feel concerned. The Front may be a small and ephemeral organization, as many of the Nazi groups are, but it has a very large pool of recruits to draw upon. The number of people in Argentina who consider themselves Nazis is thought to be quite high, at the very least 10,000, and were they to be organized in one single and fairly disciplined movement they would be a formidable force.

Nazism has been present in Argentina since well before World War II, but it has enjoyed its strongest moments under the various Peronist governments. During Peron's first government, just after the war, Argentina became the favourite refuge for the Nazis fleeing from Europe. One estimate of the number who were welcomed is 7,500, and considerable communities of German Nazis sprang up in the mountains near Cordoba, in the centre of Argentina, and the Andean resort town of Bariloche.

When the Peronists returned to power in 1973 the book stores and newsstands of the country were flooded with publications praising Hitler and denouncing the "Zionist conspiracy," to take over the world. Some pro-Nazi magazines such as "El Condor" (which could be translated as "Der Fuehrer") and "Las Bases" received official subsidies.

The collapse of the Peronist regime did nothing to halt the flood of Nazi literature. On the contrary, since the military coup of March 24 the number of Nazi publications available has grown. They range from rantings against "Jewish Argentina" by Argentine authors to straightforward apologetics for the behaviour of Hitler and the SS in Europe.

"The Auschwitz Lie," for example, described how the Allies, under Jewish prompting, fabricated false evidence about gas chambers to smear the Nazis. According to this work "gas chambers never existed on German soil." Until the Allies set

them up, that is.

All these publications enjoy a steady sale, according to the news-vendors, the kiosk-stand price: most cost over 100 pesos. Best-sellers at present are said to be "We, the Racists," by G.A. Amandus, the secretary-general of the New European Order, an international Fascist organisation which is particularly active in France and Italy, and, strangely, "The Protocols of the Elders of Zion," the hoary old "Classic" of the genre which appears to have a perennial appeal among anti-Semites. The works of Goebbels, Streicher, and Hitler also find a ready market.

The Government is clearly disturbed by the evident spread of Nazism here in the last few years, and there have been insistent rumours lately that it is about to crack down on the many activist groups. But even if the Government does eventually declare Nazi propaganda illegal it is questionable how much vigour the security forces will show in enforcing the prohibition. Many police officers are Nazis themselves and fully share the Nazis' detestation of the "Jewish-Bolshevik plutocracy."

NAZISM HAS ALWAYS fed on frustration, and few peoples are more bitterly frustrated than the Argentine people today. The integration of the Peronist movement, which was originally modelled on Mussolini's Fascism and always contained a violent extreme right-wing streak, has left an enormous number of truculent and resentful individuals without any political home.

READERS' LETTERS

THE ELAZAR MEMORIAL

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, The press has recently reported the protest of Mr. Yehiel, President of Yad Labanaim, against the decision to rename Beit Hasharon in Tel Aviv in memory of the late Rav Ahlf David Elazar.

I wonder what concern this is of Yad Labanaim. The purpose and functions of this great organization do not include this subject. The buildings and institutions of the Soldiers' Welfare Association are named after different people, some of whom donated the building or institution; for instance, the Soldiers' Home in Jerusalem is named after Charles Chloire, the Rest Home in Netanya after Romi Goldmann, the Soldiers' Home in Tel Aviv after

Yosef Baratz, etc. Why was Mr. Yehiel not when institutions were named these personalities? Was the establishment of the corps, the building of Beit Y and the strengthening of Z smaller than the contri others whose name was per by the Soldiers' Welfare Association?

We strongly deny to Yad Labanaim the right to meddle in the naming of institutions. This objection only if Mr. Yehiel's letter is the opinion of that organization's executive committee.

REBEVAM ZE'EVY, Chairman, David Elazar Memorial Committee, Tel Aviv.

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